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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : David Koellisch  
Serial No. : 09/973,201  
Filed : October 9, 2001  
Title : AN INTERMEDIATE STEERING COLUMN  
Art Unit : 3682  
Examiner : Julie Knecht Smith  
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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**AMENDMENT/REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 25, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification:** There are no amendments to the specification.

**Amendments to the Claims:** Amendments to the claims are reflected in a listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings:** There are no amendments to the drawings.

**Remarks/Arguments:** Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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